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Funding outlook is not bright

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Although Gov. John Ashcroft has recommended a 5 percent increase in funding for Missouri Southern, the outlook for the College does not really appear that bright.

According to College President Julio Leon, the amount of funding recommended by Ashcroft is only 92.75 percent of that recommended by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education. The Governor's recommendation would provide the College with \$11.6 million, compared to the \$11.1 million it is receiving this year. The CBHE recommended approximately \$12.1 million.

"If this is to be the amount received," said Leon, "we could be limited in terms of what we can do. But we have to be realistic. The revenues just aren't there."

According to Leon, there is a "great deal of uncertainty" surrounding funding in FY 1989. He said the Governor's recommendation represents a 5 percent increase over last year's, but that those figures are misleading.

"It's a bit deceiving because the recommendation includes \$330,000 that was already approved for us by the legislature for our retirement program," said Leon. "If that is subtracted from the recommendation, it is actually only a 1.8 percent increase. That's essentially the same amount of money we received last year."

A decrease in funding could result in an increase in tuition for Southern students, but Leon said he will not recommend a substantial increase in student fees.

"There is only one other source of revenue for schools," he said, "and that is tuition. I hate to raise fees any more than last year. We will hope to keep it within limits."

"It's really too early to tell, but we have to be optimistic."

Last year, the Southern Board of Regents approved a 3 percent increase in student fees.

While the outlook for funding does not look to be an exceptional one, Leon did report that preliminary figures show another increase in enrollment at the College. After one week of classes, there was a head count of 4,377 students. Compared to this time last year, that figure represents a 2+ percent increase.

In terms of credit hours, Leon reported a 5 percent increase, and said that by the census date, the College is predicting a 3 to 5 percent increase.

One reason for the shortfall in funding may be the desegregation court order issued by a federal judge. It is projected that an estimated \$1 billion will go to desegregation in the St. Louis and Kansas City school districts over the next five years.

"This obviously has an effect on education as a whole," said Leon, "not just Missouri Southern."

"I'm not speaking against desegregation, but to this extent, it all seems very illogical. It just defies comprehension."

Some have estimated that the desegregation order will cost the College, as well as the Joplin School District, as much as \$12 million.



College targets Springfield for advertising campaign

By Steve Hann
Staff Writer

As a result of a new advertising campaign, Missouri Southern may attract additional students from Springfield.

"We've done a little bit of advertising in the Springfield area in the past, but it was very isolated," said Gwen Hunt, public information director. "Now we have started a long-range campaign to let people in the Springfield area know that we are here just down the road."

According to College President Julio Leon, studies indicate that one-third of college-bound high school students want to "go away" to college. This advertising campaign will try to reach those students.

"We are not going to try and convince students not to attend Drury or SMSU (Southwest Missouri State University)," said Leon. "We want to let those students who want to leave home for college know that we are here only 60 minutes away."

Leon believes there are probably many people in southwest Missouri who are not fully aware of Southern.

"There are many people in the state and southwest Missouri who think Missouri Southern is still a two-year college," he said. "Our goal is to make as many people as possible aware of the quality of our college and its programs."

Leon said the College had budgeted from \$8,000 to \$7,000 for the Springfield advertising campaign.

Hunt said similar advertising, like the current four-month campaign, will likely be used in the future.

"We will have to assess the response before we continue the advertising, but there should be a good response," she said. "There has been an increase in the number of inquiries from Springfield, and it is only logical for Springfield students and their parents to be attracted to Southern."

Hunt said the advertising is stressing the size of Southern, the quality of the faculty, the closeness to Springfield, and the fact that the College is one of the 10 least expensive public institutions in the nation.

This advertising campaign should help Southern maintain its desired moderate growth in enrollment, said Hunt.

"We don't want a huge enrollment because a lot of our advantages come from our size," she said. "This advertising is necessary since the pool of high school students wanting to go to college is diminishing."

According to Hunt, the amount of available on-campus housing will become an issue as Southern's enrollment increases.

"Before our enrollment increases too much, we will have to expand our housing," she said. "The cafeteria will also have to be expanded with a large increase in enrollment."

Leon, however, believes there will not be a housing problem even with increased enrollment.

More Joplin homes will receive TV signal

Station will now serve nine-mile radius

Twice as many households will now be able to receive Missouri Southern Television due to the erection of a 160-foot tower on campus.

The tower was put in place last week by workers of Grant (Mich.) Tower Co. using a crane and pull-down cable. Engineers claimed there were no real problems in the construction process, other than a brief moment when the tower swayed in the wind before being steadied.

The self-supporting tower will beam Missouri Southern Television (MSTV) telecasts to the First National Mercantile Bank and Trust Co., where a roof-top transmissions tower will allow those in a nine-mile radius to view MSTV. The station's call letters are K57DR.

Richard Massa, head of the communications department, says the total cost of the project is \$138,000, which includes all phases of the project.

Massa reported that while the current purpose of the tower is for the low-power

station K57DR, it would later serve other functions.

In 1984 MSTV began broadcasting on cable television through the Joplin area. Its programming now appears on Cable-Open Channel 18. MSTV currently reaches about 10,000 homes in Joplin, and with the addition of K57DR that figure will double to nearly 20,000 homes.

K57DR was acquired through negotiations with Residential Entertainment Inc., in Tyler, Texas, and the Federal Communications Commission. In January 1986 approval was granted for the transmissions tower.

The target date for the first telecast was planned for Nov. 1, but due to delays in bids, contracts, and the weather, the date has been moved to late March.

"As for now there are no plans to change the programming at MSTV," said Massa. "However, programming will change in two or three years with separate programming for each station."



Dunaway replaces Putnam on Board



By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Eager to begin serving the College, Frank "Shrop" Dunaway III took part in his first meeting Friday as a member of the Board of Regents.

Board President Terry James welcomed Dunaway, who was appointed by Gov. John Ashcroft in December. Dunaway replaces Bill Putnam, Jr., whose six-year term ended.

"He took a very active lead," said Dunaway. "He was involved in the College, and the people knew who he was. I hope I can take as active and intense a role."

College President Julio Leon said he would miss working with Putnam, but that Dunaway would provide a "good, positive influence."

"Bill Putnam made a great contribu-

tion to this College, and we will miss him," said Leon. "But I am quite confident that Dunaway will provide the same leadership."

Dunaway, a Republican, is currently president of Compensation Benefits Systems Inc. in Carthage. He comes to the Board after being in the insurance field for 13 years.

He said what impresses him most about Southern is the quality of its instructors and the College's academic status.

"The professors here are tantamount to those at fine liberal arts colleges anywhere else," he said. "The fact that we have this is really impressive."

Academically, Dunaway believes Southern is an institution that "must be dealt with."

"I would lay these academic credentials down against anybody," he said.

A football player at the University of

the South in Sewanee, Tenn., where he graduated in 1970, Dunaway has taken an interest in the athletic programs at Southern.

"I see athletics as a part of campus life," he said. "They give you some discipline, but it's imperative that you maintain a handle on yourself academically."

A 1966 graduate of Carthage High School, Dunaway also is president of the board of the Eastern Jasper County Red Cross chapter, a division chairman of the Carthage-United Way, and a member of the Carthage Rotary Club.

Said Dunaway, "This is an honor. I look around that table, and these are people that all make a significant contribution to the College and community. To be nominated and endorsed is very gratifying."

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FCC approves expansion

Classical music listeners in the area can celebrate the approval of a KXMS expansion project.

The current KXMS transmitting tower is the focus of the new expansion project. By late March an 85-foot antenna will be attached to the existing 100-foot base.

The license was approved by the Federal Communications Commission in November. Application was made more than one year earlier.

"It has been a lengthy process, but a very rewarding one," said Dr. Robert Clark, KXMS station manager.

The original station application called for the construction of a 185-foot steel transmitting tower. But at the time, the FCC had issued a freeze on new stations. Since the freeze only allowed a maximum output of 6.6 kilowatts and a tower maximum height of 100-feet above average terrain, Southern was forced to temporarily

abort its plans.

This freeze was due to interference in signal transmissions with Channel 6 television stations in the area.

"In order to apply we were instructed to receive letters of agreement with all Channel 6 stations in the area," said Clark.

After ironing out some wrinkles with a Tulsa station, the FCC granted approval of the project.

With the 85-foot antenna soon in place, power output will increase to 10 kilowatts, greatly expanding the listening audience.

"People have expressed the need for KXMS in their areas," said Clark, "and existing listeners receiving any minimal distortion on their radio station should expect it to be cleared up. The bottom line should be an expanded listening audience receiving a higher quality sound."

Offenders could lose license

'Use and abuse law' will hopefully reduce number of deaths

By Brenda Kilby
Staff Writer

Since Dec. 1, persons under 21 who are convicted of driving while in possession of alcohol or controlled substances will automatically lose their driver's license for one year.

Nicknamed the "use and abuse law," the action is the direct result of Senate Bill 230, a cooperative effort of several Missouri legislators, according to Janice Gentile, administrative assistant to Sen. Roger Wilson (D-Columbia).

"The legal language in the law is 'possession or use of alcohol while operating a motor vehicle,'" Gentile said. "If you feel the law is unfair, please realize that the minor is already breaking the law when he drinks."

According to Gentile, the incidence of death is higher among those under 21 who are in alcohol-related automobile accidents, and the new law is meant to reduce those deaths by implementing severe penalties to offenders.

Gentile also said drinking and driving are only one of the ways a minor could lose his or her driver's license under the new law.

"If you have a fake I.D. and you are caught with it, you will lose your license," she said. "If you are 18 or under and you are found guilty under state law a second time for possession of alcohol or a controlled substance, you will also lose your driver's license for a year."

Gentile stressed that losing one's license under this law is automatic and cannot be appealed.

John LePage, a defense attorney in Pineville, recently attended a seminar on the "use or abuse" law in Springfield offered by the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys. Both LePage and Robert Evenson, who is the senior partner in the law firm of Evenson, LePage, and Carlin, are opposed to the new law.

"As I understand it, kids who may not

be driving while intoxicated, and therefore not endangering lives, will be losing their licenses," LePage said. "I have a problem with anything that makes you lose your license."

LePage said that DWI laws do not keep drunks from driving, and may actually do more harm to the public than good.

"If you are not licensed to drive, you are 100 percent uninsurable," he said. "Instead of a dangerous person driving while intoxicated, you have created a dangerous person driving while intoxicated who has no insurance."

According to LePage, this would mean that compensation for injury or death would not be insured to the victims if an accident were to occur.

"I think it's an unfair law," said Evenson. "It is the product of narrow, paternalistic minds, and it is an insult to the state of Missouri."

"This law will create a class of people who cannot drive, and in rural Missouri, if you can't drive you can't work."

Evenson said the legislators who drafted this law were "near-sighted," in that they did not realize they were endangering innocent people who could be harmed by non-licensed and non-insured drivers.

"The kids will drive anyway," he said, "and if you get hit, you can't recover."

LePage believes the law will be contested soon in the courts, and may not stand on its own as written.

"A 19-year-old male can be drafted into military service, put his life on the line," LePage said. "If he makes the mistake of smoking marijuana or driving with a can of beer in his hand, and gets caught, they can take his license away. Is that fair?"

According to LePage, the law could be a violation of Equal Protection laws.

Leslie Bland, 19, a Southern freshman from Webb City, thinks the law is a good one.

"It should even be stricter," Bland said.

"They [violators] shouldn't get their license back until they're 21."

Dirk Dunkle, 18, a freshman at Southern from Sarcoside and a former member of S.A.D.D. while in high school, says the law is "too tough."

"There have been times I've been with other guys and I wasn't drinking myself," he said. "Under this law, I could lose my license when I was a designated driver."

Will Hobart, a 19-year-old Joplin freshman at Southern, is disturbed by the law's possible broad effects.

"Using alcohol has been proven to be a very good way of releasing stress," Hobart said. "In this law they say you can't use, but they don't distinguish between use and abuse."

Both Dunkle and Hobart said they would "fight it" if they were to lose their license under the new law.

According to Gentile, it is expected that there will be opposition to this law, and that it may be tested in the courts.

"Anytime you deal with challenging laws, questions are raised," she said. "We could expect there will be changes made in the law in the future."

In the meantime, Gentile said, the law is being enforced.

"There have been arrests made under this law already," she said.

Jasper County Sheriff Leland Boatwright said no arrests, to his knowledge, had been made in Jasper County under this law.

"This will be a difficult law to enforce," Boatwright said. "It's like any other law. They've all got holes in them, and things that need to be thrashed out."

Boatwright said he agrees with the basic philosophy behind the law, but will welcome what he feels are needed revisions in its present form.

"I think the problems with the law will be remedied after it is amended," he said. "It will be a good law."

Forkner calls it quits after 16 years

By Jimmy Sexton
Staff Writer

After suffering a heart attack and undergoing bypass surgery in 1984, Jess Forkner was ready for retirement. He did retire yesterday, after 16 years on the safety and security staff.

"I enjoyed coming to work everyday until the heart attack," said Forkner, "and then I began to take it easy."

Forkner, 65, served as acting security director several times during his career at the College. Writing tickets, jump-starting cars, and handling ticket appeals were some of his duties on the staff.

He says he will miss the students the most.

"I have enjoyed the job," he said, "and I've had a lot of fun with the kids."

Now that he is retired, Forkner is looking forward to a lot of fishing on his dock at Roper's Cozy Cove on Grand Lake.

"I love crappie fishing," he said. "It's real quiet and peaceful down there."

"I just can't get used to leaving after 17 years," he said. "The College has been good to me, and I haven't any regrets for working here."

Forkner will be replaced by Dallas Fortner, a licensed funeral director from Seneca.

Fortner worked at B.F. Goodrich in Miami, Okla., until the plant closed in March 1986.

"I was looking for a full-time job with benefits, and I heard about this opening and decided to give it a try," Fortner said.

Fortner began work last Friday after enrolling in Southern's police academy.

"I like the territory," he said, "and my two boys went to school here."

Fortner has served as president of the Seneca Board of Education for the last seven years.

"I really like the atmosphere around here, and I'm looking forward to several years here," he said.

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Tower erection is a good step

Last week most of us on campus had the opportunity to witness the erection of a new tower for Missouri Southern Television. Thanks in part to this new tower, and its sister tower on the roof of the First National Mercantile Bank and Trust Company, approximately twice as many households will be able to receive MSTV. A station available to more households will provide watchers with a chance to see Southern firsthand.

In addition, steps are being taken to increase the broadcast power of KXMS, the College's FM classical music station.

These are just two items showing Southern is not satisfied and complacent with its current status. Even though the College has been recommended for a 10-year re-accreditation, it is not just sitting back and rejoicing. Southern is continuing to improve.

By increasing the broadcast power of the two stations, the College's message will be going to more people. This will also help the College in its quest to fulfill one aspect of its mission which is to be the cultural and intellectual center of the region.

Not only will these be furthering the mission, but they also will be an effective method of recruiting. Maybe prospective students will see or hear something about Southern that will stir interest in the College.

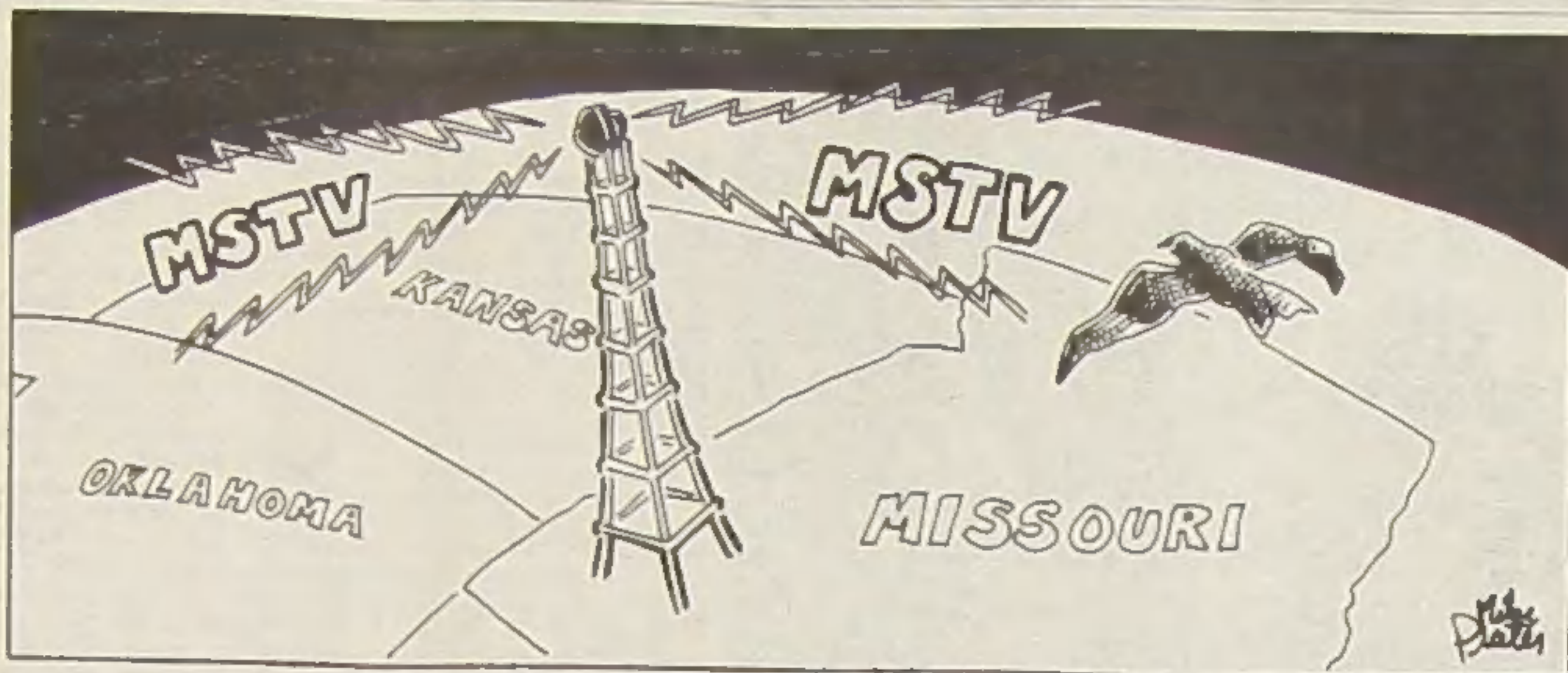
It seems the College is beefing up its recruiting efforts over the entire region. Two admission counselors are on the road full-time going to high schools. Television commercials and radio spots also are being utilized.

Just recently, a major recruiting campaign was established in Springfield. We like the idea and believe similar efforts can only benefit the College.

Bill Putnam

The announcement of Frank Dunaway's appointment to the Board of Regents is welcomed because it signals new leadership for the College, but it also is a sad occasion in one sense. It means that Bill Putnam's term as regent has ended.

During Putnam's six years on the Board, Missouri Southern has enjoyed remarkable prosperity. Enrollment has increased by nearly 1,000 students, new programs have been established, several buildings have been constructed, and the College is now recognized as one of the most outstanding institutions in the Midwest.



Decision bypasses legislative process

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

During the past month I have been reading various articles and reports concerning the desegregation issue in the state. (See related stories, page 5.) I don't think one day went by without Mr. Stebbins placing some type of information dealing with the subject on my desk.

And now, about one month and at least 10 interviews later, I believe I have learned enough about this subject to voice my opinion. While writing the articles for this publication, I had to be careful not to showcase my opinion, but now, in this space, I can vent some of my frustrations and disbeliefs concerning the desegregation court order.

In the first place, I thought the most basic tenet of democracy was that the people, through their representatives, make the decisions. Wasn't it always a "government for the people, by the people, and of the people"? Yes, I thought so, too.

But I cannot understand why Judge Clark ordered the state to pay money to the Kansas City and St. Louis school districts to help desegregate



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them. Maybe it was a message from God—who knows. I don't think anybody really knows.

But what Judge Clark has done violates every rule to a legislative form of government. He has bypassed the legislators, and in doing so, has bypassed the people. When settlers first came to this new world, care was taken to make sure this kind of thing did not happen as it did in their homeland. Maybe someone needs to tell King Clark what the Constitution is, and maybe even have him (gasp!) read it. If not, we may see a mass exodus from Missouri to escape judicial persecution.

The major reason for this tyrannical order is because residents of the Kansas City School District will not approve a tax increase to support the desegregation drive. I'm sure many Kansas City residents were laughing behind our backs because they now did not have to pass a tax levy. But before they could even get out the last tee-hee, Clark slapped them with an unprecedented decision to raise property and income taxes in the district. So, who's laughing now? I suspect not very many.

By not passing an increase, the people of the Kansas City district are showing me something: they do not care what happens to the educational

system or to the children—their children—who are in it.

I recently had the chance to visit Kansas City and get a first-hand look at what these monies are providing. Idealistically, the concept is a good one with a just and worthy cause. Realistically, maybe it will work, but if it does, it will continue to milk funds from the state treasury. A projected \$1 billion will be spent in the next five years to help with the desegregation.

This means that before the Missouri legislature allocates even one dime, that money will be taken out. This is an average of \$200 million per year that we will never see in our part of the state. Our colleges and universities won't see it, nor will our high schools, elementary schools, or any other state-supported service.

As mentioned in an article on the front page of this publication, the outlook for funding for Missouri Southern does not really look bright. I wonder why. Do you think it could be the fact that already the budget has been decreased by \$200 million?

To get technical, Judge Clark is taking my personal money. The state has less money, this college receives less money, tuition increases, and I pay more money. What do you need, Judge? Five, maybe 10 bucks? Hold on a minute, let me see how much I've got.

Time management can reduce stress

By Dr. Earle Doman
Director of Counseling

In the counseling center I often talk with students who are frustrated because they are not performing up to their abilities. The beginning of the spring semester has been no exception. Several students have lamented that their grades for the fall term were not what they should have been. The students did tell me, however, that doing well and obtaining a meaningful education was important, and they wanted to do better. Such a commitment, if genuine, is a foundation for improved performance. It was also interesting that every student mentioned that he or she needed to spend more time studying and/or being involved in college-related activities.



While there are many reasons why students do not perform to their potential, many of the reasons are often entwined with poor time management. The need to manage time more carefully often comes as a surprise to students even though many sources have communicated the need for effective budgeting. It may, however, be relatively easy for students to understand that the stress associated with going to college impacts upon performance. What often comes as a surprise is that they add to the stress by not following good time management techniques.

IN PERSPECTIVE

To assist you and me in doing a better job of managing our time, I have listed a collection of thoughts and time management techniques collected from many different sources. I encourage you to read them and adopt a few as guides to reducing stress caused by not having enough time. Please note that I also hope to do a better job of managing time. Come look at my messy desk and

you'll see that I need help, too!

Thoughts for Effective Time Management

- Learn to say "NO."
- Set your watch five minutes ahead to avoid arriving late.
- Make plans in the evening for the next day.
- Get up 15 minutes earlier.
- Carry a note pad to write down ideas or notes to remember.
- Set goals.
- Review your goals regularly.
- Never lose sight of your goals.
- Don't watch too much TV.
- Don't let what may happen deter you from accomplishments today.
- Never dwell on failures—you can't do anything about them and they use up valuable time.
- Keep a smile on your face.
- Eat a light lunch so you won't get sleepy in the afternoon.
- Review your habits—get rid of those you don't

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YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearn Hall 117 by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition. All letters must be typed or printed neatly, and signed. Letters of fewer than 300 words receive priority consideration.

Parking ticket is 'outrageous'

When I went to return my books for the semester, I found out my husband's parking ticket was on my record, because the car is in my name.

I also found out it was \$10. I think that is a little outrageous. Even the city doesn't charge that kind of money for a parking ticket. Five dollars last semester was bad enough.

It also doesn't do any good to appeal a ticket. My husband tried. The extra no parking signs by Matthews Hall were put up after his ticket was issued.

Esther Stratton

Latin course would benefit students

Why is there no class in elementary Latin offered at Missouri Southern? Certainly this would be a tremendous boon to the curriculum of all students attending Southern, regardless of their major. English majors would greatly benefit from such a course, as would any major in languages, because most languages, if not based primarily on Latin, do have many words partially borrowed from the language. Biology students would also benefit greatly, as would pro-

bably chemistry, physics, pre-med, nursing, pre-law, etc. Even music majors, since a lot of lyrics in pastoral songs are written in Latin, would have more of an inkling of what they were singing about.

Latin is considered to be a "dead" language, but look around you, Latin is everywhere you look. It is scattered throughout the English language in one form or another, and many English words are literally stolen from Latin. If such a course as I propose were

offered, I would not hesitate to take the class, and if I flunked, I would take it again and again until I satisfactorily understood the language.

MSSC is one heck of a school. Let's not allow this one specific discrepancy to weaken the mission of the institution, which is, I believe, to serve a well-rounded education to those who desire it. Let's get our ducks in a row!

Marcus Martin
English/Music Education Major



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State will provide 75% of money for desegregation

Judge Clark decision angers area legislators

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

It has been more than 10 years since the U.S. government first charged the school district of Kansas City for illegally segregating its schools. And now, the district is seeking funds to make desegregation a reality.

Due to a recent order by U.S. District Judge Russell Clark, the Kansas City, Mo., School District (KCMSD) will now receive these additional monies from the state of Missouri to help integrate its district.

The order stems from a desegregation trial that has been in Federal District Court since 1983. And it was just last July that Judge Clark ruled the state would be responsible for covering 75 percent of the desegregation costs. The district will be responsible for the other 25 percent.

The state will provide approximately \$210 million for court-ordered desegregation payments to Kansas City and St. Louis during fiscal year 1989. That figure, according to State Sen. Richard Webster (R-Carthage), could reach \$230 million.

In Kansas City, the money will help pay for a planetarium, a 25-acre farm, a 25-acre tract of "wild land," two greenhouses, an art gallery, three robotics laboratories, and a model United Nations laboratory complete with language translation capabilities.

Additional funding provided by the state will go to a magnet school system inside the district. The new system, which will hopefully provide for voluntary desegregation, will require the busing of many of the 35,000 school-aged children in the district.

According to Webster, the monies being funneled to Kansas City are not making it easy for the state or for Missouri Southern and the Joplin School District.

"This is costing Missouri Southern and the school district around \$12 million," said Webster. "We are losing about \$230 million for busing people all over creation."

Webster believes the orders will now put a "constant drain on the state."

"It's a feeling of total helplessness because we will never get a chance to appropriate that money," he said. "It has not improved the level of education. It's just asinine what has occurred."

Representatives Chuck Surface (E-Joplin) and Mark Elliott (R-Webb City) share the concerns, as well as the disgust, of Webster.

According to Surface, once appointed for life, some judges "start to become god-like."

"What he [Clark] has done is going against a legislative form of government. We make the decisions, not the judges. We are dictated to do this. We have no say; the people have no say. He dictates what happens."

Elliott cites the recent order as "the most startling thing I have learned." "I've not had one opportunity to vote on this nor has any other lawmaker," he said. "This money comes right off the top and is mandated by a federal judge. It undoubtedly is the most frustrating set of circumstances I have ever been in."

According to Elliott, it has been so frustrating that Judge Clark has been named an honorable member of the House budget committee.

"He gets money out of the state faster than Jesse James could ever conceive," he said. "When or where this ends, I do not know, but something needs to be done to stop this raid on the treasury."

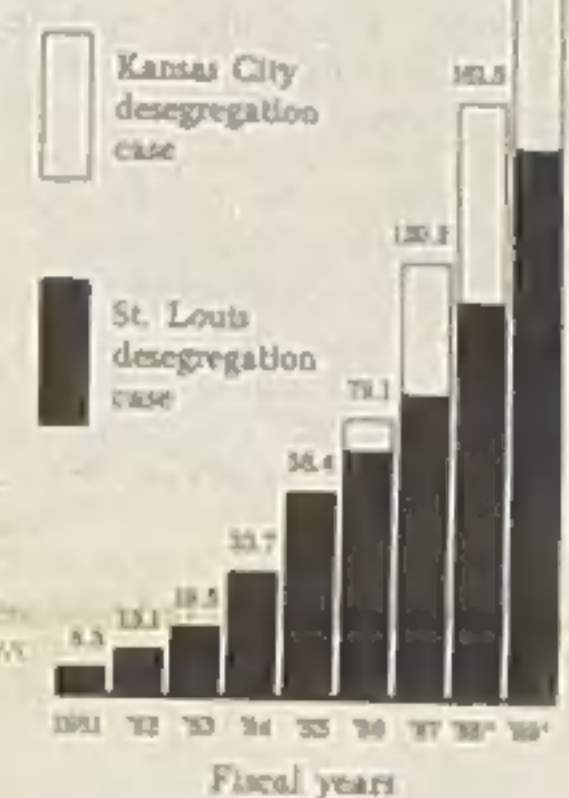
While legislators from other parts of the state share concern over the order, those in Kansas City are lauding Judge Clark's decisions.



Recipients Students at Swinney Elementary in Kansas City are among those benefitting from the court-ordered desegregation payments made by the state and residents of the Kansas City School District. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Court-ordered desegregation payments made by the state

In millions of dollars



The state paid \$12.8 million for Kansas City school desegregation in 1986 and \$36.7 million in 1987. It will pay about \$54.3 million* in 1988 and \$62.1 million* in 1989.

*estimated

(Chart graphic by Mark R. Mulik)

Webster, school districts file appeals against order

A recent court order rendered by Federal District Judge Russell Clark has caused Missouri's attorney general, as well as 56 Missouri school districts, to file appeals against the order.

In an order issued last year by Judge Clark, the state of Missouri is responsible for covering 75 percent of the total cost of desegregation in the Kansas City, Mo., School District (KCMSD). The district is responsible for the remaining 25 percent.

To help finance that 25 percent, in an unprecedented decision, Judge Clark increased taxes by 25 percent on income earned within the district. He also increased the property tax levy from \$2.05 to \$4 on each \$100 of assessed value.

It is believed around the state that Judge Clark rendered such a decision due to the fact that the KCMSD would not pass a tax increase for itself. Residents last approved such an increase in 1969.

This order has prompted William Webster, Missouri's attorney general, to file an appeal.

"I am against any court-ordered tax increase and the state now appeals such an order issued by Judge Clark," he said. "To say the least, we believe the order is excessive."

"I am philosophically opposed to such an action at any level of government. I will take this appeal to the Supreme Court if necessary."

Not only has the state appealed this order, but 56 school districts in Missouri also have joined forces with Webster.

In a friend-of-the-court brief filed in the 8th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, the districts claim the order is unfair to school children in other parts of the state.

The brief states that approximately 9,000 students in the Kansas City district would have access to many facilities and programs that would not be available to the nearly 20,000 students in other parts

of the state.

According to Dr. Jack Israel, superintendent of the Joplin school district, his district is not one of the 56 districts involved with the appeal.

"We are not involved in this case," said Israel. "It's mainly the rural schools."

Israel pointed out that most rural schools have a low tax levy anyway, and taking additional monies from the state could "get these schools in trouble."

"I've thought for a long time that the order is wrong," he said. "It's unfair for the rest of the state to pay a portion of the desegregation movement in Kansas City."

"This is reducing the amount of funds the government has to put back into the state," said Israel, "not only in education, but it could also result in other services being shorted, also."

The brief filed by the districts states Judge Clark "has approved a plan to outfit the Kansas City School District with a panoply of facilities possessed by few, if any, public schools anywhere in the United States."

"The concept that 9,000 Kansas City high schoolers 'need' a dental lab, or 4,500 middle schoolers 'need' a television station, or 9,000 elementary schoolers 'need' two log cabins to obtain an equal education is simply preposterous."

This statement stems from a declaration by Judge Clark that items of this type are necessary for Kansas City's school children to receive an equal education.

"If these improvements are 'necessary' to provide equal educational opportunities, their total absence in the petitioning districts would therefore establish a prima facie case that 55,319 students educated in those districts are currently being deprived of an equal education. This conclusion merely highlights the absurdity of the district court's findings," said the brief.

Chronology of Kansas City Desegregation

1954: A landmark decision—from *Brown vs. Board of Education* case—declares unconstitutional segregation of U.S. schools.

1968: The Kansas City school superintendent presents "A Concept for Changing Times," a plan containing a number of proposals for districtwide integration.

1975: U.S. government officials charge that Kansas City schools are illegally segregated and ask the Board of Education to submit a desegregation plan. The board agrees, but the plan is rejected and the issue referred to an administrative law judge.

1977: The Kansas City school district launches its first districtwide desegregation plan, called "Plan C." Also, the Board of Education approves a busing plan to eliminate all-white schools in the district. The board files a lawsuit against 16 suburban schools—five in Kansas and 11 in Missouri—to include these schools in the desegregation efforts.

1978: The role of KCMSD (Kansas City, Missouri School District) in the desegregation movement is reversed from plaintiff to defendant in a ruling made by U.S. District Judge Russell Clark.

1979: Kansas City lawyer Arthur Benson II files a second desegregation lawsuit, this time naming a group of school children as plaintiffs in the case. KCMSD and several Missouri suburban districts are named as defendants.

1983: October: The desegregation trial starts with Judge Clark presiding.

1984: Judge Clark rules KCMSD and the state are liable for illegal segregation in Kansas City schools and orders both to draft desegregation plans; suburban school districts are dismissed from the case.

1985: KCMSD submits a plan calling for the consolidation of city and suburban districts. Clark, however, strikes down the plan because it involves suburban schools.

The district later submits a new plan calling for educational reforms and voluntary transfers with suburban schools.

The state also submits a plan that—among other issues—calls for busing within the city and educational improvements for schools with more than 90 percent minority enrollments.

In June, Judge Clark orders a plan that encourages voluntary transfers. Later that year—in two separate decisions, Judge Clark orders education improvements and building repairs to be made in the district. Cost for the capital improvements projects is approximately \$50 million.

The state is ordered to pay two-thirds of those costs, but the Eighth Circuit Court later reverses that ruling in support of the state's argument that those costs are to be equally shared by Missouri and the KCMSD.

1986: U.S. District Court orders \$52.8 million in additional capital improvements for some magnet schools in the KCMSD. Kansas City school district officials claim the state should pay 75 percent of those costs, but the court orders the state to pay 50 percent of the costs.

1987: July: Judge Clark rules the state is responsible for 75 percent of costs associated with Kansas City desegregation case.

September: Judge Clark, in an unprecedented decision, imposes a 1.5 percent income tax surcharge on those living or working in KCMSD in finance capital improvements in the district. This tax, in some cases, could amount to an increase of up to 25 percent. The judge also increases the district's levy by \$1.95 to pay for the desegregation program.

November 23: Attorney General William I. Webster files a notice of appeal to Clark's ruling in the desegregation case.

1988: January 15: In a friend-of-the-court brief filed in the 8th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, 56 school districts attack Judge Clark's orders of giving KCMSD \$377 million from the state treasury. The move, which supports Webster's appeal, has the backing of the Missouri Association for Rural Education.

(Chart graphic by Mark R. Mulik)

CAB prepares events for spring semester

Preparation for spring semester activities are already underway, according to Val Williams, coordinator of student activities.

"We've been planning the Spring Fling activities, which will be the third week in April," she said. "For the Spring Fling cookout we are having the group 1964: As the Beatles."

"They are out of this world," said Williams. "They actually look and sound like the Beatles."

She said the group also will play for the Spring Fling dance following the cookout.

"We will be showing an outdoor movie on April 13, which will be the *Rocky Horror Picture Show*," said Williams.

The rest of the week will consist of comedy acts, contests, and various meals.

"We don't have the exact schedule of the Spring Fling as of yet," said Williams.

CAB also is taking part in the College's Multi-Cultural Week, Feb. 29 to March 4.

"It is a week where we can show different aspects of different cultures at Missouri Southern and throughout the four-state area," she said.

"CAB will provide some of the entertainment at this event. We will be showing the movie *Raisin in the Sun*, and the major program for the week will be *A Day in the Life*."

"This," she said, "will be lectures over

the making of the book."

There are actually two books, one about the United States and one about the Soviet Union. Pictures will be shown of both countries and lectures will be held. The lectures will be at 1 p.m. March 3, in the Matthews Hall Auditorium.

The club also is planning a trip to Daytona Beach over spring break. The cost of the trip without transportation is \$137. This price includes hotel accommodations and activity fees. The cost with transportation is \$214.

"We attempted a trip to Padre Island last year," said Williams. "But it didn't work out, so we will attempt another trip to Padre Island, a skiing trip, or a trip to the Bahamas."

CAB is the representative for the travel agency that sponsors these trips.

"They help us plan our trips," said Williams. "We help them by encouraging people to sign up for these trips."

The CAB also will sponsor a Star Trek Marathon Feb. 22-26 in the Barn Theatre.

"This event will be the entire week instead of only on Monday and Tuesday," said Williams.

The CAB will continue its coffeehouse series in the Lions' Den. The first performer will be comedian Alex Cole, who will make an appearance on Wednesday, Feb. 3.



Pull-ups Staff Sergeant R.A. Morgan, USMC, shows Cadet Johnny Teegardin the proper way to do a pull-up Tuesday afternoon.

Club plans AIDS forum

Coping with AIDS in the workplace will be the focus of a seminar tonight at Missouri Southern.

The seminar, sponsored by The Four-State Community AIDS Project and the Missouri Southern Social Science Club, will address such topics as terminology and background, risk factors and modes of transmission, and employment issues for developing AIDS policies in the workplace.

Featured speakers include Steve Evans, health care educator at St. John's Regional Medical Center; Virginia Allen, executive director of the Good Samaritan Project of Kansas City; and Dick Kurtenbach, American Civil Liberties Union executive director of Kansas and western Missouri. A question and answer session will follow.

The seminar will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Matthews Hall auditorium. A tax-deductible registration fee of \$5 is payable at the door.

Confusion surrounds Webster Hall

Residence hall may no longer house women after spring semester

By Lisa Clark
Campus Editor

Confusion has surrounded a possible change in Webster Hall's status as a co-ed living facility.

The change would make Webster an all-men's residence hall instead of the co-ed structure it now has. The women who live in the hall were originally asked to request a place they would like to move either before the start of the spring semester or during it.

The head resident, Dusty DeVillier, then told the women the College was going to try and move them out before the fall semester ended so it would be open for male students to move in.

"I felt a lot of pressure to get out (of Webster)," said Susette Cory, a Webster resident. "The idea was presented as if we had no choice about moving."

According to Doug Carnahan, director of student life, no final decision has been

made on whether women will live in Webster next semester.

"Throughout this situation, I've felt bad to because the head resident was telling us Webster would be all guys and Carnahan said we could still have our rooms," said Deana Graham, Webster resident. "We don't know what to believe."

According to Carnahan, women were originally moved into Webster in 1978 in an attempt to "calm" the building and to alleviate the demand for more women's housing on campus. The project worked well, but in the past few years there has been a higher demand for men's housing on campus rather than women's. If this trend continues, Carnahan believes the solution would be to move the women out of Webster.

"I like having women living in Webster," said Carnahan, "but we need more men's housing."

However, many of the women who lived in Webster last semester were told

the decision to close Webster to them was because of their behavior.

"There were rumors about us (the women living in Webster)," said Michelle Daugherty, a Webster resident. "They were saying we were the cause of the close down."

Cory added, "I feel like I'm being punished for something I didn't do."

Currently, there are rooms empty in Webster because many women moved out during the semester break. Also, the women who remained were moved into different rooms in an attempt to consolidate the first floor.

"They were moved around so the empty rooms could be closed," said Carnahan. "It was an economical savings for the College."

These rooms are still available to women who would like to move into on-campus housing or to those living on campus who would like to move into Webster Hall.

Students re-charter Veterans group

After 10 years of inactivity, students are re-chartering the Campus Veterans Organization.

"Many veterans expressed interest in forming the group after the memorial was planned," said Larry Meacham, photo-journalist for the public information office.

Many ideas for the new organization have been proposed, including communi-

ty service projects and the formation of a scholarship for a new or current Missouri Southern student.

"I believe the club could be a contributing factor to the College in mature projects," said Meacham, "and a group the faculty and student body can rely on."

The group will need at least 20 members, officers, a constitution, and two advisers before it can be recognized as a

campus organization. Meacham believes membership will not pose a problem because of the 700 veterans on campus.

And, the group can use the old club's constitution.

There will be an organizational meeting for all veterans interested at noon Monday in Room 313 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Business course provides insights into investments

Establishing a high-quality finance program in the school of business is a major goal of Dr. Richard La Near.

La Near, the J.R. Kuhn Distinguished Professor of Finance, is helping to meet this goal through an investment course he teaches at Missouri Southern. As a result of this course came the first Investment Club at Southern.

In September, La Near's investment students were hypothetically given \$200,000 to invest in several types of financial assets. One type was to have one "call" and one "put" on any common stock. "Call" refers to the right to buy an amount of stock at a certain price at a certain time period, while "put" refers to the right to sell an amount of stock at a certain price at a certain time period.

Another type was to have one "call" or one "put" on a treasury bond (T-bond) futures contract option. The purpose of this T-bond option was for the students to try to make a decision on the general direction of interest rates.

Another type was to have one "call" or one "put" on an S & P (Standard & Poor's) 100 index option. The purpose of this option was for the students to try to make a decision on the general direction of the stock market.

Another type was to have one "futures" contract on any grain, livestock, food and fiber, or industrial metal. With this option, the students could purchase commodity futures contracts or decide to sell them "short," depending on the student's view of the general direction of the respective commodities making up these futures

contracts.

Finally, the students were allowed to choose 10 common stocks, with the remaining balance of the original amount of \$200,000 to go into a money market fund.

"I would never recommend that the average investor place any money on option or futures markets the way we did in this game," said La Near. "The risk is just too high."

All of the students' investments were monitored from Sept. 21 to Dec. 7 to determine who received the best return. The three highest students in the class were business majors David Pickering, Deborah Kisner, and Anita Ketchum. Pickering showed the best performance with an ending amount of \$406,000 and a rate of return of 103 percent. Kisner finished with \$385,000 and a rate of return of 93 percent, and Ketchum ended with \$298,000 and a rate of return of 49 percent.






For comparison purposes, La Near participated with the 18 students. He finished with \$339,000 and a rate of return of 70 percent. Not all students showed a gain. La Near said about five of the student did "poorly," losing a great deal of "money."

The investment course will be offered again in the fall semester of 1988. It is a 400-level course primarily open to business majors who have successfully completed Principles of Accounting and Financial Management.

More information on the investments course may be gained by contacting the school of business administration at 625-9319 or Ext. 319.

Attention: The January issue of Avalon is expected to be published next week. Submissions for this issue will be accepted through 5 p.m. tomorrow (Jan. 22) at the office of The Chart, Room 117 of Hearnes Hall. Submissions include short story, poetry, artwork, and photography done by students, faculty, or staff members at the College. Submissions for upcoming issues of Avalon will be taken at any time.

Upcoming Events

Today		LDSSA meeting noon BSC-311	AIDS In the Workplace 6:30 p.m. Matthews Hall Auditorium	
Tomorrow	Last Day for class changes and late registration	Winter Buffet 10:30 a.m. Connor Ballroom	 Griffins	Men's and Women's Basketball vs Missouri Western 6 p.m. & 8 p.m. home
Weekend		 Wayne State	Men's and Women's Basketball vs Wayne State 6 p.m. & 8 p.m. home	
Monday	Veterans Organization meeting noon BSC-313	Sigma Nu meeting 5:15 p.m. BSC-311	 CAB	CAB Movie 7:30 & 9:30 p.m. in the Barn Theatre
Tuesday		Men's Basketball vs Rockhurst 7:30 p.m. home		CLUE
Wednesday			Student Senate meeting 5:30 p.m. BSC-310	

'Professional volunteer' brings classical music to city

By Brenda Kilby
Staff Writer

A little over 10 years ago, Cynthia Schwab decided Joplin needed exposure to classical music and that classical music needed exposure to Joplin. The result, she says, is a mutual love affair.

"One of my greatest frustrations is I can't even sing on key," Schwab said. "The people that can do these things need people in the audience clapping."

For the last 10 years she has been a primary supporter of the arts, bringing many individuals and groups to the Joplin area.

"It all began in church with chamber music concerts," Schwab said. "Now we have a series of four chamber music concerts a year, and with that series we provide access to great musicians and performers who entertain the old, the young, the handicapped, and those who otherwise would never be able to hear this music."

According to Schwab, people in Joplin had no opportunity to experience live classical music before.

"They had never heard it, many of them," she said. "It's not all heavy, and it's not all long. To come in and see them enjoy this is so rewarding for me."

Schwab is partially responsible for the upcoming performance of the St. Louis

Symphony Orchestra at Missouri Southern. She has developed a reputation for bringing nationally-known performers to the campus.

In 1984 Schwab was able to get Emanuel Axe to donate a performance at Southern.

Axe, a classical pianist, was only the first of many others, said Schwab.

The next year six members of the na-

"Classical music is a necessary part of my life," Schwab said. "I suffer withdrawal if I have to do without it."

Schwab, the daughter of an investment broker, was reared in Manhattan.

"I spent my summers on the Jersey shore," she said.

In 1952 Schwab graduated from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania with a bachelor's degree in geology.

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—Cynthia Schwab

tional symphony gave a chamber music concert," she said.

Along with bringing the music into Joplin, Schwab started a fine arts scholarship for students at Southern.

Arranging concerts and getting the audience together to enjoy the concerts is a vocation for Schwab, who insists she does it all for her own enjoyment more than anything else.

"I am blessed to be an opportunist," she said. "I am constantly in the company of people who are interested in music, and I try to take advantage of the opportunities as they present themselves."

"I had a lot of fun there," she said. "I thought I would end up working on Wall Street, since that's what my father did."

Schwab married in her junior year, however, and ended up in Enid, Okla., for the next few years. Twenty-two years ago she moved to Joplin.

"I spent the next few years of my life doing community work in hospital auxiliaries, library boards, and other places," she said.

"I've done a lot of community work," Schwab said. "When I was 12, my mother made me volunteer to work in the library two mornings a week during the summer."

Calling herself a "good conduit" and a "professional volunteer," Schwab said her efforts in working for music in the Joplin area have succeeded because of hard work and dedication to the cause.

"I have licked and stamped more envelopes during my career than anyone in the United States," she said.

Schwab has five children and six grandchildren.

"But I am not what Norman Rockwell paints," she said. "I gave up cooking for music, and it wasn't difficult."

Schwab believes her efforts have encouraged others in the Joplin area to support classical music. She is especially happy to see a strong emphasis beginning to appear in the local public schools.

Three years ago, Pillsbury gave a grant to bring in pianists and violinists to the Joplin schools," she said. "Pillsbury matched school budget funds, and I looked for people who specialize in doing school concerts, performing and teaching at the same time."

Recently, Schwab started her own non-profit corporation, called Pro Musica. Among the functions of Pro Musica will be to bring more music to the public schools and to Southern. In order to accomplish this, Schwab will have to raise more money, but so far it has been a fairly smooth road.

"I haven't had any opposition in Joplin to my fundraising efforts," she said. "That



would be like being against motherhood and the flag.

"The function of Pro Musica is to educate," Schwab said. "It is all for Joplin and the surrounding area."

On Jan. 30 Schwab will be leaving Joplin for a few days, repaying favors and networking back on her old home turf.

"I will be working in New York on the New York Philharmonic Radiothon," she said. "This will be the fifth year in a row I've worked on this."

"All of these work together," she said. "If you really believe in something yourself, you can inspire others."



'Satchmo' This photograph of Louis Armstrong is just one of the 75 currently being displayed at the Spiva Art Center.

Spiva displays photographs

Seventy-five photographs of musicians from the "Golden Age of Jazz" are currently on display at the Spiva Art Gallery.

William Gottlieb, an experienced jazz photographer, took the pictures between 1939-1948. He traveled from night club to night club, mostly in New York City, in search of the best jazz musicians in the world.

Gottlieb, a native of New York, was in Joplin Jan. 10 to kick off his exhibit. While here, he presented a slide show of some of his favorite photographs and lectured

on his profession.

Beginning his career in the newspaper business, Gottlieb learned his photography skills out of necessity. The newspaper he worked with never assigned a photographer to him; consequently, he started taking his own pictures.

Gottlieb has written a book, complete with some of his favorite photographs. The book *The Golden Age of Jazz* is currently available at the Spiva Art Gallery.

The show will run through Feb. 14 and is open to the public.

Students will travel to New York City
Southern's director of theatre heads spring break trip to Broadway

New York may not offer sand and surf, but it does attract vacationing students to the lights and energy of a different environment.

When spring break arrives, students and faculty from Missouri Southern will travel to New York for a week of Broadway musicals, entertainment, and culture. According to Dr. Jay Fields, director of the theatre, six students, two graduates, and four other individuals will make the trip.

In the past, Fields has taken approximately 120 students from other institutions to New York to see musical productions on Broadway. When he came to Southern, he wanted to provide the same opportunity for students here.

"I plan to do this every year," he said.

activities also will be covered.

"I really need to get to New York," said Fields. "It always gives me enough energy to get through to the next year. It's like a shot in the arm."

Those who plan to make the trip in March include current students Janet McCormick, Karen Hill, Janet Kemm, Doug Hill, Victoria Goff, and Melissa Cytron.

Other events and activities for the week will be planned at a later date.

"I'll make sure they have something to do," said Fields. "New York is such an energetic city. It charges you up."

Plans for a trip to New York during spring break in 1989 have already been considered. Fields hopes to take 20 students from Southern.

The cost of the trip is \$573 per person. The price includes round trip airfare from St. Louis to New York, transportation to and from the airport to the hotel, seven nights in the Edison Hotel, four musical productions on Broadway, and backstage tours.

Those making the trip will attend performances of *Me and My Girl*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and *Breaking the Code*. A revival of *Streetcar Named Desire* will be presented at the Circle in the Square.

Prior to leaving for New York, Fields will prepare those making the trip with general information. A class that meets two hours per week for five weeks will provide hints on safety precautions, information on restaurants, and how to read subway maps. Literature on theaters and

College plans chamber music concerts

A series of chamber music concerts has been scheduled in the music department at Missouri Southern for this spring.

Clive Swansbourne, pianist, and Maureen O'Boyle, violinist, will present the first concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

The program will include violin sonatas by Beethoven, Brahms, and Debussy.

"Chamber music is one of my particular loves," said Swansbourne, organizer of the chamber music series. "I

am delighted about the expansion of our music department because it makes the performance of chamber music possible."

This is the first time Swansbourne and O'Boyle have performed together and, according to Swansbourne, "the violin repertoire is a treasury of great chamber works."

The second concert, on Thursday, Feb. 4, will feature the Pittsburg String Quartet with Swansbourne at the piano and Dr. Wayne Harrell on horn.

Swansbourne will accompany Micheal

Lancaster, tenor, and Linda Lancaster, flutist, on Feb. 11, when they perform the *Schuman Song Cycle*. Selections include songs by Ravel and Polene's *Sonata for Flute and Piano*.

Future concerts will include performances by Robert Meeks of Southern's music faculty and Joe Leiter, guitarist from Carthage.

All concerts are open to the public free of charge and everyone is invited to attend.

Southern Film Society plans additional program for series

The Missouri Southern Film Society will present an additional program to its current film series.

The film will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

Two short features, *The Blue Light* and *Thomas Graal's Best Child*, will be shown.

The Blue Light, a romantic fantasy set in a mountain village, marked the debut of Leni Riefenstahl as a writer, producer, and director, in addition to being an actress.

During her appearance on CBS's *60 Minutes*, Riefenstahl said this is the film which she wanted most to be remembered by, even though she is better known for her Hitler-era films, *Triumph of the Will* and *Olympia*.

Looking back, she said, "There was no returning to the comparatively simple existence I had before: this work and this

success mandated newer and more difficult assignments. The blue light shone only once in my life."

Thomas Graal's Best Child is a Swedish comedy featurette from the silent era which has been rediscovered by film societies.

After a wedding ceremony reminiscent of Mack Sennett, a young couple gets into a terrific squabble. The dispute reaches drastic proportions and much of the honeymoon is spent in chaos.

Film author Peter Cowie pointed out that "...what preserves (the film) so well half a century later is the universal humor inherent in the domestic relationship and its erotic byplay. *Thomas Graal's Best Child* is a model of tight construction and steady, scintillating rhythm."

Single admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and students.

Debate squad experiences growth



After starting the fall semester with only five members, the Missouri Southern debate team now has a squad of 15.

"We were limited on people last semester," said Dave Delaney, debate coach. "But this semester there has been a tremendous growth in our squad. We're on a roll."

This weekend the team will compete in

the Missouri Show-Me Tournament at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville and Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg.

"This is where we actually compete at two tournaments in one weekend," said Delaney. "We will be taking 13 people and we are entered in a lot of events, so I expect we'll do really well."

Coming Attractions				
Joplin		Portraits From The Golden Age Of Jazz Jan. 10-31 Spiva Art Center		Baldknobbers Jan. 23 7:30 p.m. Memorial Hall
Kansas City	'Writing With Light: Kansas City's Photographic Heritage' Jan. 1-31 Kansas City Museum		Hansel and Gretel Jan. 16-24 2 p.m. K.C. Community Opera Company	
	Singin' in the Rain Jan. 19-24 8 p.m. Theatre League			Tom Jones Feb. 24 8 p.m. Theatre League
Tulsa		Dionne Warwick today & tomorrow 7:30 p.m. Brady Theatre	Petra Jan. 29 7 p.m. Brady Theatre	Crystal Gayle Feb. 4 6:30 & 9:30 p.m. Brady Theatre
	South Pacific Jan. 19-24 8 p.m. Tulsa Performing Arts Center		The Magic of David Copperfield April 1 6:30 & 9:30 p.m. Brady Theatre	

Burton announces candidacy

Having served on the Joplin City Council since January 1986, Gary Burton announced yesterday he will run for the position of state representative from the 127th District.

Burton decided to run for the position when Roy Cagle filed for an open seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. Cagle was first elected state representative from the 127th District in 1977.

"The more I was around government, the more I became interested in it," said Burton. "It's a big step. I was involved with the [Chuck] Surface campaign and the Cagle campaign, but it's a little different being on this side."

Burton said his decision to run for the

position was a difficult one to make.

"I reached the decision with mixed emotions," he said. "Leaving the Council is a concern. I have enjoyed the people and the community."

With the primary election on Aug. 2, Burton plans to spend the next several months raising funds.

"Having a person on your side will help solve some of the problems in Jefferson City," he said. "I will continue to listen to the people, and I will do my best to keep them informed."

"I'm a true friend of the people of Joplin. I'm asking for their support."

Burton said his main priority is "to work for people and to fill obligations of

the position."

In addition to serving on the Council, Burton served on the Joplin Zoning and Planning Commission from 1977-1983. Currently, he is on the Missouri Special Olympic's board of directors.

He graduated from Eastern New Mexico University with a business-education degree.

"My background in business, education, and insurance will help me make important decisions," he said.

Burton said if elected he will stress economic development for Joplin and the state. He said he would also work to alleviate the solid waste disposal problem.

Local opinions differ on decision

Area schools report no problems with Court's censorship ruling

By Steve Moore

Staff Writer

School principals now have the freedom to censor student publications due to a recent decision rendered by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The decision stems from a lawsuit filed in 1983 by student journalists at Hazelwood East High School in St. Louis after their school principal eliminated two pages from the student newspaper.

Keith Zeka, principal at Joplin High School, agrees with the ruling.

"The school needs the authority to protect the students, the faculty, and the community from possibly unjust stories," he said.

The role of the student publication in relation to the community was one of the considerations in deciding the case.

A federal judge first ruled against the students. However, the case was reinstated by the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which contended that student newspapers were a public forum and could not be censored. But the Supreme Court ruled that school-sponsored publications are not

public forum.

Zeka said the role of the student newspaper is primarily to enhance the students' learning experience. Informing the students and community is the secondary purpose of school papers.

Barbara McPheeters, advisor to the Carthage High School newspaper *Tiger Tales*, expressed dismay at the ruling.

"I'm really upset with it," she said.

Both Zeka and McPheeters agree that on the whole, they have not been involved with any problems concerning censorship in the schools, and they do not anticipate any future problems. Some educators believe, however, the education of the student journalists will be damaged because they will now be afraid to report on controversial issues.

Zeka believes this will not be the case, saying that students understand a school paper is intended as a laboratory experience. As a result, they will not equate a deletion of a story by the principal as "heavy-handed censorship."

The controversy surrounding this case has prompted the Joplin school district to adopt an official policy regarding the con-

tent and nature of student publications.

The policy states the guidelines a story must follow before it may be published, and those things that would prevent a story from being published.

The policy established that all pertinent facts must be gathered before a story may be written or published. It also states that the time at which a story is published shall be carefully considered as to its appropriateness and the effects it will have on the community and the school.

The policy further states that all sides of a controversial issue will be published in the same issue of the paper.

Those things that would prevent a story from being published include any material that is an attack on individuals or groups, and any material that is "libelous, blasphemous, obscene, or in bad taste."

According to McPheeters, the Carthage school district does not have a formal policy.

"We don't have a written editorial policy," she said, "and generally we don't have any problems along those lines."



Press conference City Councilman Gary Burton announces his plans to run for state representative. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Council reviews ordinance requesting vote to increase tax

By John Ford

Assistant Editor

Consolidation of the village of Midway with Joplin and an increase in motel taxes were two items reviewed by the Joplin City Council in regular session Monday night.

The Council reviewed an ordinance requesting a vote on an increase in the motel tax in order to fund the creation of a tourism and convention bureau. The motel tax would consist of 2 percent of the gross receipts.

Several members of the motel industry were present at Monday's session of the Council. According to Gary Burton, chairman of the Council committee on the tax issue, the proposal reflected many months of work by the board.

The proposed tourism/convention

bureau would have a bureau director serving under the city manager. Supervision of the bureau's operation will be left to a committee of four members, one each from the hotel/motel industry, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce, the Joplin Restaurant Association, plus one at-large member.

Action on the tax was tabled until the Feb. 1 Council session.

In other business, City Attorney Mike Talley requested Council action involving the consolidation of the village of Midway with Joplin. Midway is located on 32nd street, between Indiana and Connecticut avenues, and has a population of less than 100. It is currently surrounded by the city of Joplin.

During an informal session of the Council, Travis Kuncie, chairman of the Midway board of trustees, spoke before

the panel. Kuncie said there are several advantages to Midway becoming part of Joplin.

"The first advantage is that we will have a sewer placed in the village at no charge," Kuncie said. "They (residents) would pay a \$10 connection fee, in addition to what a plumber would charge to connect a house to the sewer line."

The village, if annexed, would receive Joplin police protection. It is currently covered by the Newton County Sheriff's department.

In addition, the village would be serviced by the Joplin Fire Department.

"Joplin has a station 10 to 12 blocks from where we're at," said Kuncie. "Consolidating would make home insurance cheaper because our only fire protection is from Reddings Mill."

Kuncie believes insurance rates for Mid-

way residents would drop because the Joplin station is closer to the village than Reddings Mill, enabling firemen to respond to calls more quickly.

According to Kuncie, an additional advantage would be the elimination of trash pickup fees, which currently cost village residents \$60 annually.

Kuncie stressed the advantage of a sewer system over septic tanks, which is the only sewage disposal system available now in Midway.

"The way the businesses are going in on 32nd, the septic tanks would not be adequate to handle the waste," said Kuncie.

According to Kuncie, the board of trustees has endorsed the proposed annexation of Midway. A meeting is planned to take place before Feb. 1 to act upon an ordinance requesting the scheduling of a vote by the Newton County Commission.

The Council also approved several requests, including an agreement with the Missouri Highway Commission for funding the metropolitan transportation planning committee for an aerial mapping program and a study designed to predict future traffic needs.

Ralph Gray's request to re-zone the northwest corner of 15th and Rangeline was denied in a 4-1 committee vote. Gray asked the Council to change the area from a residential area to a local business district that would have enabled him to construct a shopping center in that area.

The Council approved a \$12,881.50 payment to Estes Construction Co. for the installation of a sewer line on West 41st Street.



Joplin housing program assists needy

Ridgway Apartments receive complete renovation as part of local project

By Julie Spradling

Staff Writer

For many low-to-moderate income citizens, housing is a prime concern. The Public Housing Authority (PHA) of Joplin has programs to aid those in need.

Assisting low-income people, the community development program is federally funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Through the community development program, the city uses federal funds to renovate homes owned by those in need.

"We can provide no more than \$7,500 to bring the house up to city codes, if they qualify under our income guidelines," said Clara Ensor, administrative assistant for community development. "All funds must go to benefit low and moderate residents of the city."

Over 500 homes have been renovated since the program started in 1975. Ninety-five percent of those receiving grants are elderly persons on a fixed income, and often widows whose income is approximately \$340 a month.

Rental rehabilitation is another community development program supported by federal funds.

"The purpose of rental rehabilitation is to increase rental units or stock in the city for low-to-moderate income renters," said Ensor.

"In 1985 our office applied for funds under a state program called rental rehabilitation," she said. "We received \$125,000 and it was loaned to a developer to renovate Ridgway Apartments at

Fourth and Byers."

The Ridgway Apartments have been completely renovated through rental rehabilitation.

Rental rehabilitation has applied for \$200,000 to restore a larger apartment complex, Olivia Apartments at Fourth and Moffet. After completion there will be 40 units.

Subsidized housing is based upon 30 percent of the individual's or family's gross income, and there is a utility allowance. For those over 62 years of age, there is a medical allowance.

Community development helped to build the Schifferdecker Park swimming pool and a senior citizens' building.

In addition, funds under this program have purchased machines for the Sheltered Workshop. The family self help center for battered women and abused children also is funded through community development.

The community development program provided funds for the kitchen at the Lafayette House and a \$200,000 loan to Missouri Precision Products to keep them from closing their doors and 121 people from losing their jobs," said Ensor.

The housing authority of the city of Joplin is another program designed to aid those who are faced with financial difficulties.

"The housing authority provides the city of Joplin with a total of 640 units of subsidized housing," said Ensor. "Fifty percent of all their housing is for the elderly or handicapped."

Two HUD programs which enable the city to own houses after payment are Sec-

tion 23 and Turn Key.

"HUD pays for these houses by low interest loans through non-profit organizations," said Cyndee Sanders, assistant to the director of Section 8 housing.

Section 8, or existing housing, is another program administered by the housing authority. This program provides rental assistance through private landlords.

"There are 370 units of Section 8 housing scattered throughout the city," said Sanders. "Twenty-two percent of these are occupied by the elderly."

This program primarily assists the elderly as well as single parent families consisting of one to three children.

"This is the program of the future that will probably always be around because building is so expensive and money goes back to the community when helping the landlords," said Sanders.

Duplexes (two bedroom units) and fourplexes (one bedroom units) are located throughout the entire Joplin area.

Additionally, there are 45 three- and four-bedroom units scattered throughout the Joplin area.

"Section 8's newest project located at 36th and Indiana houses elderly and families with two- and three-bedroom units," said Sanders.

The housing authority maintains each home and the grounds.

"Each year applications are taken and rent is readjusted," said Sanders.

The property is inspected annually and proper maintenance performed as necessary. Occupants can be evicted if they fail to care properly for their homes.

Renovation Ridgway Apartments, at 4th and Byers, are part of a city-wide renovation drive. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Limited facilities create problems at College

By Anastasia Umland
Staff Writer

Limited physical education facilities are a primary complaint of students and instructors at Missouri Southern.

"I think our facilities are very much behind other colleges in our conference," said Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services.

The lack of facilities proposes a problem for those who would like to participate in sports at a recreational level. At present, facilities are reserved mainly for the athletic programs and physical education classes. The gymnasium is in constant use from early morning to late afternoon for these organized activities. In the evenings, intramural activities are scheduled for student participation.

The intramural program's purpose is to provide the students with extracurricular entertainment. Designed in part to help residence hall students adjust to living

away from home, it also enables participants to strengthen athletic skills.

The limited space provided by the current gymnasium causes problems in scheduling intramural events because the times that are available are often not suitable for many of the students who work or commute to the College.

"Southern is not different from other schools," said Carl Cromer, intramural supervisor. "Athletics always take precedence over intramurals."

The proposed solution for this problem would be the implementation of Phase III of the College's expansion project. This phase allows for the construction of a multipurpose building which would contain several courts for basketball and volleyball. This will leave the existing gymnasium for intramural use.

"The physical education department cannot hold more than one class at a time in our gym now," said Pat Lipira, instructor. "The gym is trying to serve four purposes: physical education classes, athletics,

intramural activities, and student body recreation. It is impossible to be suitable for all these."

Lipira believes the limited space also infringes on the capabilities of the physical education department.

"We do a fine job preparing students to teach physical education," she said. "But that is not where the jobs are. Areas such as corporate fitness and wellness are highly available job markets today. Unfortunately, our students are not being readied for these positions."

Warren Turner, head baseball coach, said, "Our facilities are overused. We have nice facilities, but they resemble high school and they restrict us in what we can do."

Athletics take first priority at most colleges. But at Southern, there is a fine line between which is more predominant.

"The facilities are used for academics, athletics, intramurals, and then student use in that order," said Dolence.

"Athletics take first priority long before

intramurals," said Cromer.

This lack of space also hinders the recruiting process at Southern.

"Many of the girls we recruit have high school facilities that are better than ours," said Lipira.

Another problem area attributed to the lack of facilities is the weight room. Max Oldham, head of physical education department, would like to see an additional weight room.

"The present weight room is off limits to anyone but athletes," he said. "Many students are interested in weight training, but they are not allowed to participate."

A new multipurpose building, however, is still in the talking stage.

"There has been discussion concerned with a covered area to provide flexibility for all sports, but there is not money for it at this time," said Dolence.

"In order to receive funding from the state, we must first justify a need to expand our facilities. It will be at least five years to change."



Women's athletics are neglected

It's not taken for granted by Jim Phillips, Pat Lipira, or Sallie Beard. The women athletes obviously don't ignore their athletic programs. It's not these people at all. It's us. We ignore women's athletics. And I'm as guilty of this neglect as the next guy.

Even this column often ignores women's sports. I can't think of one time this column has ever concentrated on women's athletics. I'm not suggesting this column has been a failure in that aspect. I'm only suggesting that women's athletics has been neglected—by most of us. But why?

As usual, someone (and often large masses of humanity) disagree with me. This time it's Beard.

"I don't think it's ignored," said the women's athletic director. "By comparison to other schools, our program does very well. It's less than men, but I don't think it's fair to compare men to women."

Still, I disagree. Writing from a fan's viewpoint, the women are ignored. I can only compare the number of people at Southern men's and women's games.

In comparison, the women here have been more successful than the men. First, look at the volleyball team. In 1957, it had its worst record in the last five seasons. The Lady Lions finished a dismal 38-17 after four consecutive 40-win seasons. Lipira has compiled a 264-90-11 record in her seven seasons as head coach. In other words, her team wins nearly three in every four contests. The only bad news is that I saw this team play only twice last season. But all 50 people who were there obviously found the game entertaining.

"Volleyball is not as widely accepted in the Midwest as it is on the West Coast," Beard said.

While volleyball is over for now, women's basketball is heating up. Entering this season, Phillips had an impressive record of 121-54 as head coach. His teams have produced several NAIA All-Americans, including current star Anita Rank.

I recently saw this team play Southwest Baptist. Attendance was estimated at 500, although more than 1,000 people were in the stands two hours later to watch the men play SBU.

At this point, I must agree with Beard on one item.

"Men's basketball is more familiar," she said. "Women's basketball is not on television."

"There's a group that appreciates women's basketball. Women's basketball is still played below the hoop. Our women do that very well. To the purist, this is good basketball."

Then there is Lipira's other team—the softball squad. Last season they won the NAIA District 16 title and went on to finish in a tie for seventh in the national tourney.

In addition, a women's tennis team will begin play again this spring after a five-year layoff. Under coach Ce Ce Chamberlain, who left the College in 1981, the tennis team compiled a three-year record of 33-6.

By comparison, look at the men's programs. To their credit, they have one more national championship than the women, but that was in 1972 and this is now. I realize the baseball team has had two consecutive NAIA World Series appearances and the basketball team made it in the national tournament. I'm not saying the men have been unsuccessful overall.

My point is that when the men are successful, we go to the games. When the men lose, we go to the games.

When the women lose (although I have little evidence of the women losing in back my hypothesis), I assume fans will not attend the games. When they win, I know fans haven't attended the games.

Rob Smith is executive manager of The Chart.

Wade brings new coaches to program

Not only will Missouri Southern's football program have a new look, but so will the coaching staff on the sidelines.

Head Coach Charley Wade has made several changes that he hopes will help execute his new style of play.

Bill Cooke will become the new defensive coordinator for the Lions. Wade became familiar with Cooke's style of coaching when Cooke was the head coach at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. Wade was offensive coordinator at Fort Lewis before accepting the Southern post.

"Philosophically, we have the same thoughts," said Wade. "He's not conservative in coaching."

Also joining the Southern program from Fort Lewis will be Tom Rutledge, who will coach the offensive line, and Blake Faulkner, who will be in charge of receivers.

"Although we haven't announced our linebacker coach yet, Coach (Linn) Hibbs will be our linebacker coach for spring football," said Wade.

Hibbs, a former Southern cornerback, did his student coaching with the Lions during the 1987 season.

Al Cade, the only returning member of coach Rod Giessele's staff, will direct the defensive line next season.

Wade also is planning new policies to guide the team off the field as well.

"I expect players to go to class and make good grades," he said. "If they don't make grades, they're not in the program."

Players earning below a 2.3 grade-point average their first semester will be required to attend a study hall program.

"We're not just making statements," said Wade. "They'll understand that we're backing our statements up."

"I or Coach Cooke will supervise the study halls so they know we're serious. There are enough good athletes out there to win with. I stick to things I believe in. That's to win and get a degree."



New coach

Charley Wade, head football coach at Missouri Southern, discusses the potential of a prospective recruit with the student's high school coach. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

New coach plans 'pro-style' offense

Lions schedule SMSU

By Kevin Keller
Staff Writer

After serving as an assistant coach on Missouri Southern's national championship team in 1972, Charley Wade has returned as head coach of the Lions' football program.

Looking to prepare Southern for NCAA Division II competition, he is promising exciting football for Southern fans.

"We'll run lots of pro-style plays," said Wade, who intends to establish a game plan to fit the personnel. "My philosophy is to mix the run with the pass. It's not as easy to defend."

Wade is hoping his game plan will come together with practice and good execution. The excitement around his balanced attack will be the passing.

"I've learned not to have fear to throw the ball to anyone at anytime," he said. "Some coaches swallow when they throw."

It's a way of getting the ball to someone and scoring."

Wade emphasized the point that any team needs a strong defensive unit to win. Multiple defensive fronts will be used and carried out by returning veterans and new recruits.

The newly-formed football staff has been working overtime talking with junior college and high school athletes within a seven-state radius. Eight junior college transfers and one freshman are currently enrolled for the spring semester.

"We went after building the overall speed," said Wade. "We talked with some of this year's seniors to see where they thought we might need to fill some holes."

Two of the newest recruits include Howard Carter and Jack Croft. Both players are 6-foot-3, 265-pound defensive tackles from Dixie College in St. George, Utah. Dixie was 11-1 last fall and finished third in the National Junior College Athletic Association.

Other new recruits are Alan Brown, a

junior quarterback-wide receiver from Glendale Community College in Phoenix; Brett Crowe, a sophomore defensive end from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M in Miami; Darrell Erhart, a junior quarterback from Fort Scott (Kan.) Community College; and Marty Algee, a 240-pound junior nose guard who lettered in 1984 and 1985 at Northwest Mississippi Junior College.

Also attending Southern are Stacy Garner, a junior wide receiver from Mesa (Ariz.) Community College; Wade Jackson, a junior linebacker from Phoenix College; and Mark Nelson, a freshman defensive back from Canada.

Wade looks at next year as getting ready for the school's move to NCAA Division II and the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

The Lions will face an NCAA Division I opponent next season in Southwest Missouri State University. Rod Giessele, who was fired as Southern head coach in November, had wanted to schedule the Bears.

"You're not going to beat them if you don't play them," said Jim Frazier, men's athletic director. "We've played Wichita State, the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, and the University of Nevada-Reno. That's kind of our style. We welcome the opportunity."

The game is scheduled for 7 p.m. Sept. 10 in Springfield.

The coaching staff has been encountering the usual recruiting problems of battling larger schools for players, and the double transfer rule has slowed down progress mostly because of all the junior college athletes.

"This rule has hurt on a couple or three kids who have attended a major college before transferring to a junior college," Wade said. "These players must graduate from junior college before we can sign them."

Crouch is target of four programs

Seneca High School running back Shannon Crouch is considering Missouri Southern as one of four possible choices.

Pittsburg State, Southwest Missouri State University, and the University of Missouri also are in the derby for the services of the all-state performer.

"Missouri Southern has talked to me," said Crouch. "Frazier (men's athletic director Jim) and Wade (head football coach Charley) came down to visit me the same day Wade got into town (Dec. 2)."

Wade said he has been in touch with Crouch every week, trying to land the highly-touted running back.

Crouch, who led Seneca to the Glas

2A football title in 1987, says he plans to visit the other three campuses during the next three weekends.

"All of them are strong considerations," he said. "I'm wanting to go into business administration and hope to have a chance to look at those programs, too."

Crouch compiled 5,119 yards as a varsity player at Seneca. During his senior season he rushed for 2,230 yards and scored 32 touchdowns.

"It all depends on how the campus visits go," he said. "I'm not really leaning toward a particular one."

"Coach Wade really impressed me. He seems like a real nice guy."

Spurlin plans for first year as head coach

Bodon will assist if needed

By Anastasia Umland
Managing Editor

Following in the footsteps of Missouri Southern's first and only soccer coach is a challenge that Jack Spurlin is looking forward to with much enthusiasm.

"It doesn't bother me," said Spurlin. "I think of (Hal) Bodon as 'Mr. Soccer.' I am honored to have this opportunity."

Spurlin, assistant professor of criminal justice, has experience in coaching soccer at the high school level. He was responsible for the entire formation and implementation of the soccer program at Joplin's McAuley Regional High School.

"Coach Bodon and I were pretty much the founders of organized soccer in this area," he said.

Between the workings of these two men, several soccer programs have been instigated and expanded at several area high schools and colleges.

Spurlin expressed surprise at his recent

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Lady Lions to battle top-ranked Western

With the Lady Lions 0-3 in the CSIC and third in NAIA District 16, weekend contests against Missouri Western and Wayne State may weigh heavily in how Southern fares the rest of the way.

The Lady Lions will play home games against Missouri Western at 6 p.m. tomorrow and Wayne State at 6 p.m. Saturday. Western is the top-ranked team in the district Dunkel ratings.

According to Jim Phillips, Southern head coach, not being on top of the district may serve as an advantage for his squad.

"It may help us get fired up for Western," said Phillips. "If we can come back and play well over the next couple of weeks, it will help us in the Dunkel ratings. But we don't need to worry about Dunkels that much."

After three consecutive CSIC road losses, the Lady Lions will begin making final preparations for a weekend on their home court.

"I felt like we could have won the Emporia game," said Phillips. "We played so hard against Emporia that we were not physically ready for the Saturday game."

"We didn't know how to mentally prepare for the road trip. That may serve as an advantage for us this weekend."

While Southern comes into the game with a three-game losing streak, Western has reeled off three wins in CSIC play. The Lady Griffons are 7-5 overall.

"We took some lumps early," said Terry Ellis, Western head coach. "We played some tough teams, but I think it made us mentally tough. I think it will help us down the road."

"I think Jim and I are in the same boat. We're playing some young people. Both teams are a little bit inconsistent, but that's part of being a young team."

The Lady Griffons are led by 5-foot-11 sophomore Lisa Hughes, averaging 19.4 points and nearly 11 rebounds per game.

While the Lady Lions will concentrate on stopping, or at least slowing, the offense of Hughes, Ellis said she is hoping Anita Rank does not have a big night against the Lady Griffons.

"Anita is a good player," said Ellis. "You just have to play well and hope the other people don't score all that much."

If Rank is "off," the Lady Lions will depend on junior Trish Wilson and sophomore Sonya Trimbath, who are scoring 13.3 and 11.5 points, respectively.

Wayne State comes into Saturday's game with a 7-6 record. The Lady Wildcats have three players in double figures. Junior Linda Schnitzler leads with a 17.3 average. Seniors Dawn Bern-Tucker and Michelle Blomberg average 13.9 and 11.9, respectively.

"We may be 7-6, but we have lost three games by one point and two of those were in overtime," said Klaver. "We've hung in there for the most part."

"Except for the close losses, I have been pleased with our play."



Tight defense

Guard John Willis of Southwest Baptist looks for an open teammate as Missouri Southern's Rodney Adside and Antonio Taylor defend. SBU fell to the Lions, 60-59, on Jan. 11.

Struggling Lions welcome return to Young Gymnasium

Western, Wayne State have a 'contrast in styles'

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

After three consecutive losses on the road, Chuck Williams is looking forward to a return to Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

Missouri Southern will host a pair of conference games against Missouri Western tomorrow night and Wayne State Saturday night. Both games will follow the women's games.

"I feel like we're having trouble winning on the road," said Williams, the Lions' head coach. "I'm looking forward to being back home this weekend."

Southern is yet to win on the road this season in eight outings. On the other

hand, the team is 4-2 at home.

On Tuesday the Lions took one on the chin at Rockhurst. Despite four players scoring in double figures, Southern lost 90-78.

The Lions will try to shake the effects of three losses in just five days and prepare for Missouri Western and Wayne State. Williams said the teams have "a contrast in styles."

"We feel like it will take a good effort for us to do well this weekend," he said. "They are two teams in contrast. Western has a good inside player in Gambrell (6-foot-7 senior center Daniel). We feel like Gambrell is one of the best players in the conference."

"Wayne has the best three-point threat

Soccer team receives academic recognition

Four players earn 4.0 grade-point average

Gaining respect academically as well as athletically, the Missouri Southern soccer Lions have once again proved their ability as a team.

The soccer team compiled an overall grade-point average of 2.77 during the fall semester, with four players having a GPA of 4.0.

"I was pleasantly surprised to learn of this accomplishment," said Dr. Hal Bodon, who retired as head soccer coach after the season's completion. "But that is not the first time this has occurred. The team has had a B-minus average for several years."

Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, says the accomplishment is representative of the entire athletic program at the College.

"It just demonstrates that Southern has fine student athletes," he said, "meaning that the athletes are students first."

Dolence says the "dumb jock" stereotype is unfair to Southern athletes.

"I feel the majority of the student athletes want to do well," he said. "All of them earn their grades."

Currently, Southern coaches are taking more interest in the athlete's academic progress. In the case of the soccer team,

Bodon believes its success is attributed to self motivation.

"There has always been a sort of friendly competition among the players," he said. "And I believe this was a strong [influence] in the weight of their success."

Perhaps this success stems from the coaches becoming more strict in fulfilling College regulations. In order for an athlete to be eligible, he or she must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA and be enrolled in at least 12 hours per semester.

In addition to motivation from the coaches and fellow team members to sustain academic success, the College has established other means to aid the athletes.

"Southern offers several services free of charge to all students, such as the Learning Center on the third floor of the library," said Dolence. "Also, a few of the coaches are planning to instigate required study halls for team members."

Dolence said the NAIA also is increasing academic standards for all athletes.

"Along with these regulations, Southern is also working with the athletic directors to recruit quality student athletes," he said.

NCAA accepts Southern

After attending the annual NCAA convention last week, Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, reports that "Missouri Southern was unanimously accepted" into the organization.

Southern was accepted as a member of the NCAA, but had to request waivers on two issues. By NCAA rules, the College must have in existence for two years four men's and women's sports prior to membership in the organization. Southern will add women's tennis this spring as the fourth women's sport.

The College also requested waivers because 50 percent of its opponents during the last two years have not been NCAA members.

In other business, the NCAA approved a tryout rule that will allow athletes to

come to campus for a tryout rather than the coach traveling to see the athlete. The colleges will be allowed to pay for the athlete's trip.

"We don't plan to get into the business of paying the players to come to Southern," said Sallie Beard, women's athletic director. "We don't intend to make this our status quo."

"I don't want student athletes to think they will automatically get their mileage paid," she said.

Beard said she was pleased with the convention.

"I think it was a good experience because we got to see the NCAA conduct business," she said. "More importantly, we got to show them Missouri Southern."

in the conference in Scott Hurley."

In addition to Gambrell, who is averaging 19.6 points and 13.6 rebounds per game, the Griffons have three other players scoring in double figures. Guards Greg Starling and David Washington are averaging 13.3 and 11.9, respectively. Freshman forward Heath Dudley is scoring at an 11.9 clip. Forward Stan Pierce, a 6-5 senior, is the fifth starter.

While several players have contributed, it is Gambrell who has been the basis for the Griffon offense.

"He is playing pretty well right now," said Skip Shear, Western head coach. "He's been pretty consistent."

"Within a good framework of zones he can be stopped. No one can go out and shut him down in a man-to-man."

While the Griffons concentrate on

Gambrell's inside game, Wayne State will give Southern a different look. Hurley is averaging 18.2 points per game. The only other starter in double figures for the 8-9 Wildcats is junior forward Mike McNamara with 11.1 points and seven rebounds per game.

"We have struggled," said Steve Aggers, Wayne State head coach. "We lost a 6-11 center (Byron Haas) due to (academic) eligibility. We've really been an up and down team."

Aggers said he knows little about many of the Southern players.

"At home, they [the Lions] have been tough in the past," he said. "They lost a lot of people, but they have always played good defense."

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appointment to the head soccer coach position at Southern.

"It took a lot of thought before I could accept," he said. "But I realized that I would be helping the College. I hated to see such a successful program end."

The soccer program at McAuley has grown and gotten stronger since Spurlin established it in 1983.

"The soccer program is still fairly young at McAuley," he said, "but I am very proud that it has been successful so far."

However, Spurlin is excited about becoming involved with college soccer. He can see several players with great amounts of talent.

"I think the team was saddened by Bodon's resignation, but at the same time they are excited about having a new coach," he said.

"I am looking forward to working with this group of young men. In high school, you have to spend a lot of time teaching, but in college you get the cream of the crop."

Spurlin will have several returning players to rely upon during his first season at the helm. He plans to develop the talent in the players and condition them to push themselves.

"An advantage in having a new coach is that everyone starts at zero," he said. "Everyone has an equal chance to prove themselves."

Spurlin is planning to schedule more practices for the team this spring. He is working on a conditioning program that will benefit all the players.

"I think the team is a good group of young men," he said. "They are sincere about their educations."